STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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There is a desperate need to make our schools secure from individuals that desire to inflict harm on students. The best solution to defend schools is an effective physical security posture and to hire full-time armed guards. The armed guard option is cost prohibitive and not sustainable. This legislation provides an alternative to the hired armed guards by giving the opportunity for Public K-12 school employees to carry concealed weapons and can act as an armed protection force within the confines of the school. Individuals that are willing to participate in this program will need to have completed an enhanced concealed weapon training course. Additionally, this legislation requires all schools to remove "Gun Free Zone" signs from all public K-12 schools.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the state General Fund or local government as it will not impose any significant additional administrative duties or obligations on state or local government.

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